CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LANE CLOSURES ON STATE ROUTE 99 IN MADERA BEGIN NEXT WEEK

WHAT: PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROJECT ALONG NORTHBOUND AND

SOUTHBOUND STATE ROUTE 99.

NEXT THURSDAY, SEPT 22ND FROM <u>7:00 P.M. UNTIL 6:00 A.M. FRIDAY MORNING, SEPT 23RD. (No Weekend Work)</u> WHEN:

WHERE: MADERA COUNTY; #2 LANE CLOSURES ALONG NB & SB 99.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that Granite Construction Company has implemented construction on the State Route 99-Chowchilla Rehabilitation Design-Build **Project** designed to be delivered up to a year ahead of schedule. This project is anticipated to be completed by spring 2013 and will rehabilitate four miles of identified sections along State Route 99 by reconstructing concrete panels and asphalt concrete shoulders within the identified project limits.

In order to safely implement this project, for the next five weeks, the closure of the #2 lanes in both directions along State Route 99 in Madera County will be necessary in order to conduct saw cutting and roadway panel replacement operations.

As part of this project, construction operations next week will occur at the following locations:

- Southbound SR 99: Just north of the Avenue 16 overcrossing to the Fresno River; or just north of the Fourth Street overcrossing.
- Northbound SR 99: Just south of the South Madera Overcrossing to just north of the Avenue 16 overcrossing.

Portable Changeable Message Signs (PCMS) and ramp closure signage will be in place in order to notify motorists of upcoming closures. Motorists will have one-lane access in each direction along State Route 99 within the project limits at all times; however, motorists may experience up to a 20-minute traffic delay within this area during this time. Motorists are encouraged to use an alternate route if possible. (Schedule subject to change due to weather or unforeseen contractor operations).

Caltrans & Granite Construction Co. thank the residents, businesses and commuters for their patience during this rehabilitation project. For further information regarding this project, please contact Mr. Justin Wood, Engineer for Granite Construction at Hotline number (855) 441-1086. Project Website Information coming soon!